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1. (Three times Amended) A method for automatic processing of electronic communication including the steps of:

- sending a communication from a sender in a first language;
- identifying the communication as a foreign language communication;
- determining if a translation of the communication to a second language is required by the recipient;
- applying a translation program to the communication to generate a machine translation if a translation of the communication to a second language is required by a recipient;
- automatically determining if a quotation for human translation of the communication to the second language is required by the recipient;
- automatically applying a quotation program to the communication to generate a quotation for the human translation if the human translation of the communication to the second language is required by the recipient; and
- forwarding the communication and, if required, the machine translation and, if required, the quotation to the recipient.

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19. (Twice Amended) A computer in a networked computer environment, said computer programmed to perform the steps of:

- receiving a communication from a sender in a first language;
- identifying the communication as a foreign language communication;
- determining if a translation of the communication to a native language is required by the recipient;
- applying a translation program to the communication to generate a machine translation if a translation of the communication to a native language is required by a recipient;
- automatically determining if a quotation for human translation of the communication to the native language is required by the recipient;
- automatically applying a quotation program to the communication to generate a quotation for the human translation if the human translation of the communication to the native language is required by the recipient; and
- forwarding the communication and, if required, the machine translation and, if required, the quotation to the recipient.

20. (Twice Amended) The method of claim 1 further including the steps of:

the recipient formulating a response to the communication;

identifying the response as a native language response to the foreign language communication;

determining if a machine translation of the native language response to generate a foreign language response is required by the sender;

applying a machine translation program to the native language response to generate a foreign language response if required by the sender;

automatically determining if a quotation for human translation of the native language response to generate a foreign language response is required by the sender;

if a human translation of the native language response to generate a foreign language response is required by the sender, automatically applying a quotation program to the native language response to generate a quotation for the human translation; and

forwarding the foreign language response and, if required, the quotation, to the sender.

21. (Amended) A method for automatic processing of electronic communication

including the steps of:

sending a communication from a sender in a first language;

identifying the communication as a foreign language communication;

in response to one or more previously provided instructions by a recipient, automatically

applying a translation program to the communication to generate a machine translation of the communication to a second language;

in response to one or more previously provided instructions by a recipient, automatically

applying a quotation program to the communication to generate a quotation for a human translation of the communication to the second language; and

forwarding the communication and, if instructed, the machine translation and, if instructed, the quotation to the recipient.

23. (Amended) A method for automatic processing of electronic communication including the steps of:

sending a communication from a sender in a first language;

identifying the communication as a foreign language communication;

automatically applying a translation program to the communication to generate a machine translation;

automatically applying a quotation program to the communication to generate a quotation for a human translation; and

forwarding the communication, the machine translation, and the quotation to a recipient.

24. (New) The method of claim 1 wherein the communication and, if required, the machine translation and, if required, the quotation are forwarded substantially simultaneously to the recipient.

25. (New) The system of claim 13 wherein the fifth means forwards the communication, the machine translation and the quotation substantially simultaneously.

26. (New) The computer in a networked computer environment of claim 19 wherein the communication, the machine translation, and the quotation are forwarded substantially simultaneously to the recipient.

27. (New) The method of claim 21 wherein the communication and, if instructed, the machine translation and, if instructed, the quotation are forwarded substantially simultaneously to the recipient.

28. (New) The method of claim 23 wherein the communication, the machine translation, and the quotation are forwarded substantially simultaneously to the recipient.